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ROCK BAND CONCERT

At Grace church, Friday evening, April 15th.

PROGRAMME

PART 1.

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1.	Rock Band, { a. "Qui Vive,"
2.	Solo Musical Glasses, "Selection of Popular Airs," MISS MILDRED TILL.
3.	Recitation, "Selected,"
4.	Rock Band, { a. "German Patrol," Eilenberg b. "March," Rosely TILL FAMILY.
5.	Contralto Solo, "Daddy," Behrens

TILL FAMILY. INTERMISSION.

6. Musical Glasses, "Sacred Melodies.".

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	PART II.
7.	Rock Band, "El Capitan," March
S.	Recitation, "Away Down East,"
9.	Swinging Harp, "Westminster Chimes," English Mr. William Till.
10.	Swinging Harps, "Tyrolese Air," Swiss TILL FAMILY.
11.	Contralto Solo, "Bonnie Sweet Bessie," Scotch Miss Mildred Till.
12.	Rock Band, "National Airs,"

New scholars are coming into the Sabbath school every Sabbath, and we are now having the largest attendance since the organization of the church. But we just want the new scholars to continue coming, and we want to retain every one of our boys and girls, and every one of our young men and women. Teachers see to it that your scholars are kept in the school. You are not very much interested in your pupils if you neglect those who are absent. Find out why they are absent. Go visit them, or write them letters, and get them back into the school at any cost. This is a part of the teachers' work.



BEE SWARMING.

Easter Monday evening, April 11th. The Bees will bring in their hives on that evening, and there will be an entertainment by the Sabbath school, and in all probability there will be a real Easter rabbit on the program. Every person is invited. Come and enjoy the evening with the children.

OUR EASTER OFFERING.

The members of the Church will all be furnished with envelopes for the special Easter offering. These envelopes will be sent out fully two weeks before Easter, as a special reminder of the offering. A year ago at our Easter service, the offerings amounted to almost two hundred dollars. Money was scarce then, and why should not our Easter offerings this year be as large, or even larger, than they were last year? The fact that our offerings were so large last year, was a source of much rejoicing to us all. We gave freely and cheerfully, and the Lord has given back to us again in the same measure and spirit. Now let us do even greater things for the Lord this year than a year ago. In making our offerings let us be governed by the rule, giving as we believe Jesus would give if he was to take our places. This is the only safe rule for us to follow, "What would Jesus do?" If on account of sickness some of our members should be detained from the Easter services, do not fail to send in or bring your Easter offering, even if it should be the week after. Write your names on the envelopes, also streets, and number of residence.

EASTER morning at 10:30, the communion service, baptism and reception of members. The pastor wants to put in this timely request, that all our members make their arrangements such that they can attend all these services. Talk to your friends who have no church homes and have them come to these services with you

SABBATH evening, March 27, we will have Quarterly Review Service at the time for the regular Sabbath evening service. We have the review at this hour so that all the departments of the Sabbath school can attend. We hope to have a good representation of the home departments, and we are very anxious to have the parents of all the children in the school at this service. We expect a pleasant and profitable time.

THERE is a flower committee appointed to look after the decorations for Easter. This committee consists of Miss Nellie French, Miss Lyda Niedhammer and Miss Emily Schwartz. They will do some soliciting for the decorations. They will need several dollars, and are there not some families who have palms and other plants that can be used in the decorations? If you have any plants and are willing to let the church have the use of them, report to Miss French.

EASTER SERVICES.

Our special Easter services will begin Wednesday evening, March 30th. There will be services during the week on Wednesday and Friday evenings. The services on Friday evening will be specially for the children in the Sabbath school and their parents. During Easter week there will be services begin ing with Tuesday evening. Rev. A. L. Ballinger of the Calvary U. B. church will preach for us on Tuesday evening. Rev. Geo. E. Davis of the Bethany Presbyterian church, will preach on Wednesday evening. Evangelist W. A. Bodell will preach on Thursday and Friday evenings.

A FEW of the ladies of the church have been holding cottage prayer meetings, and while there have been but a few in attendance we feel the Lord has verified His promise unto us that He will meet with even two of his children and that to bless them. These little gatherings have been characterized by a manifest presence of the Holy Spirit and have been so helpful that they will be continued at least until after Easter. All who may desire to attend are welcome. Pray before you come, come to receive a blessing and to bestow a blessing upon others. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Anna Doermer on Tuesday afternoon, March 28, at 2:30.

THE BEE COLONY.

The Bee Colony is now fully organized with the exception of electing a queen. The Colony has about one hundred and seventy bees in it, and among this entire number, we believe there is not a single drone. All are furnished with hives and are busily at work. some have already more than a dollar in their hives, others are well up to the dollar mark. All who reach the dollar mark are to have a prize, and the one having the largest amount of money, is to receive a small Bible as a reward. The swarming time is set for Easter Monday evening, April 11th, then all the hives are to be brought to the Church and the money counted. A program of singing and recitations will be arranged for the evening, and a pleasant time is expected. The Bees will be happy at swarming time. The service will be held in the Auditorium, and every person will be invited. Now as the swarming time is coming on very rapidly, and the weather is so favorable, the Bees must be busily at work, so that every hive may be stored brim full. If their are others who want to join the Colony there is still room for more workers, and we have a few more hives to give out.

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EASTER communion April 10th.

BEE Swarming, Easter Monday, April 11th.

Make your arrangements so that you can attend every service Easter week.

GET a supply of tickets for the Rock Band Concert and sell all you can.

JOSEPHINE ZARTMAN recently spent several days in Bluffton, with Miss Minnie Eichhorn and Miss Ida Mast. She reports a very pleasant visit.

MOTHER WEICKERT is making a prolonged visit with friends in Seneca county, Ohio. She is enjoying good health and is having a pleasant time.

MR. AND MRS. ROGERS are now residing at 44 Pontiac Street. Mrs. Rogers had been out of the city for several months. Call and see them at their new home.

HOWARD GUMPPER is fast recovering from a serious attack of illness. He had taken a severe cold which settled on his lungs, and he was a very sick child for a few days.

MR. AND MRS. PERRY ARCHER have gone South to spend three or four months. They will spend some time with friends at Marietta, Ga., and then they are going to the Atlantic coast. They will no doubt have a pleasant time, and we hope Mr. Archer will come home much improved in health.

REV. W. A. Bodell is in the city to remain for six months. He will supply the Westminster church in the absence of the pastor. Bro. Bodell will preach for us several evenings during our Easter services. Our people will all be glad to hear him again.

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Bishop Vincent—"Twenty thousand people heard the Rock Players at Chautauqua. It was pronounced a very udique and pleasing entertainment."

Prof. A. S. Zerbe, Heidelberg College, O.—
"I have a distinct recollection of having heard the Rock Band at the Crystal Palace, London, Eng., where thousands of people were in attendance. Their performance on the musical rocks was marvelous."

Rev. Dr. P. S. Henson, Chicago—"Having listened to the Rock Band at several of their delightful concerts, I take pleasure in testifying to their high artistic excellence. The music invariably gave exquisite satisfaction to all."

General Christenson, Brooklyn—'I have never been so affected by any music as when 'Abide With Me' was played on the Glasses. To bring tears to the eyes of the listener by simple instrumental music requires no common instrument and no common performer."

Fanny Crosby, the well-known hym writer.

"I have heard the Till Family many times.

The music they produce from rocks, glasses and bells is most exquisite."

D. L. Moody to Miss Mildred Till—"I was much pleased with your singing at Bergen Baptist church, Jersey City. I am to be in the Grand Palace Hall, New York City, next month. Can you come and sing again for me?"

ROCK BAND CONCERT.

Every member and friend of Grace church is appointed a committee of one to sell tickets for and assist in working up the interest of the concert to be given at the church, April 15th. First of all we want every member and friend of the church to buy a ticket for himself. The Rock Band Concert Company gives one of the finest entertainments given by any company. Nothing like it has ever been given in the city. This is the only company that plays on rocks. Every member of the church can afford to attend at least one firstclass entertainment during the year. The admittance for adults will only be twenty-five cents. Children under thirteen years of age fifteen cents. Every member of the church has friends and neighbors to whom tickets can be sold for the entertainment, and we feel confident that if the proper effort is made from six to eight hundred tickets can be sold. The church will accommodate from eight to nine hundred people, giving every one a firstclass seat. The company offers to the person selling the largest number of tickets a gold fountain pen, valued at \$2.00.

The following special committee has been appointed on the sale of tickets: L. W. Hills, C. H. Gumpper, George Soliday, Walter Mitchel, Henry Kessler, Jacob Hetrick, Frank Hilgeman, Mrs. Anna Neihoff, Mrs. A. K. Zartman, Miss Nellie French, Miss Anna Doermer, Miss Ida Kirkham.

Committee on advertising: A. K. Zartman, L. W. Hills, Geo. Soliday.

Tickets will be for sale at the parsonage, at Hill's store, No. 9 East Main St., and at Miss French's dental office, Bank block.

EVERY scholar in the Sabbath school should start in with the first Sunday in April with the determination of being present at the Sabbath school every Sabbath in the quarter, and of having a perfect record.

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PRAYER MEETING TOPICS AND AND LEADERS.

April 3.—The Grace of Hospitality. Gen. 18: 1-10. Heb. 13:2. John Knight.

April 10.-Home Missions in the West and in the Great Cities. A. K. Zartman.

April 17. Lessons from Great Missionaries. Acts. 13:13, 42-52. LIZZIE RUDISILL.

April 24.—Habits. Prov. 6: 6-11:12: 14-25. Luke 4:16. Frank Bercot.

May 1.-Little Ways of Bettering the World, Phil. 2:12:16, Matt. 5:13:16, Robert Niedhammer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL LESSONS AND GOLDEN TEXTS.

April 3. - The Woman of Canaan. Matt. 15:21-31. Golden Text, Matt. 15:25.

April 10.—Sufferings of Jesus Foretold. Matt 16:21-28. Golden Text, Isa. 53:5

April 16.—The Transfiguration. Matt. 17: 1-9. Goldeu Text, John 1:14.

April 24.-A Lesson on Forgiveness. Matt. 18:21-35. Golden Text, Luke 6:37.

May 1.—The Triumphal Entry. Matt. 21: 6-16. Golden Text, Matt 21 9.

May 8.—The Marriage Feast. Matt. 22:1-Golden Text, Luke 14-17.

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